### **FISCAL NOTE**

## SB 831 - HB 988

March 21, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits the mail order sale of hearing aids. Requires a personal counseling program with the customer and an audiogram within six months prior to a sale. Requires all hearing aids sold in Tennessee to contain the serial number and the year of manufacture. Violation of the act is a Class B misdemeanor.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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